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SUBJ: ASSESSMENT OF DRV DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN IN AFRICA

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1. MOST RECENT OFFICIAL READING OF FOK STANCE TOWARD PRG WAS IN APRIL, WHEN MOFA UNDER SECRETARY FOR ASIA/ FAR EAST TOLD VISITING RVN AMBASSADOR LE VAN LOI THAT KENYA WILL NOT BE PRESSURED BY ALGERIA INTO GIVING DIPLOMATIC SUPPORT TO PRG (NAIROBI REFTEL). BELIEVE THIS STILL ACCURATE AND THAT, IN ABSENCE STRONG PRO-PRG BANDWAGON WITHIN OAU THAT THREATENS TO ISOLATE KENYA, GOK WILL CONTINUE TO ABSTAIN WHENEVER PRG MEMBERSHIP IN UN SPECIALIZED AGENCIES CARRIED TO VOTE. CONCENSUS SITUATION, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO POSSIBLE OBSERVER STATUS AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, MORE DIFFICULT TO PREDICT, BUT SUSPECT GOK MIGHT GO ALONG IF CONCENSUS HEAVILY IN FAVOR PRG, ESPECIALLY IN TRADE-OFF SITUATION INVOLVING SUPPORT FOR AFRICAN LIBERATION GROUPS.

2. ON OTHER SIDE OF COIN, DOUBTFUL THAT GOK READY TO CONSIDER RELATIONS WITH RVN. AMBASSADOR LE VAN KI MADE NO HEADWAY ON THIS ISSUE BEYOND BOEING TOLD THAT AS
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INTERIM MEASURE RVN MIGHT CONSIDER SETTING UP PERMANENT

MISSION TO UN ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM HERE. THIS SUGGESTION HAS ADVANTAGE OF PROVIDING PERMANENT RVN PRESENCE HERE TO WORK ON GOK, BUT EMBASSY UNAWARE OF SAIGON'S REACTION.

3. BELIEVE POLICY TOWARD PRG CITED PARA ONE FAIRLY FIRMLY ESTABLISHED NOW, SO THAT CONTINUED U.S. REPRESENTATIONS THIS ISSUE WOULD HAVE ONLY MARGINAL EFFECT, AND, IF REPEATED TOO OFTEN, WOULD RISK REINFORCING IMPRESSION THAT GRVN DEPENDENT UPON USG.
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